## Ultra High Brightness/Low Cost Fiber Coupled Packaging, Phase I



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## **Project Introduction**

The focus of the proposed effort is maximizing the brightness of fiber coupled laser diode pump sources at a minimum cost. The specific innovation proposed is to challenge the industry standard design of laser bars used in fiber coupled pump packages and to demonstrate that an alternative designs can offer higher brightness and lower cost than the current state of the art. We intend to show that the specific bar and packages designs can have a dramatic effect on both brightness and cost. We propose to demonstrate the capability for a 10X improvement in pump brightness and a 3X reduction in laser diode cost through this investigation. This innovation will allow for the design and fabrication of ultra high brightness, low cost fiber coupled laser pump packages operating at any wavelength over the span of 635nm to 2000nm. This innovation is relevant for any laser system which uses fiber coupled pump sources, specifically .Novel, high-power laser diodes capable suitable for pumping Holmium-based solid-state lasers. as described in Subtopic S6.02 Lidar Remote Sensing

### **Primary U.S. Work Locations and Key Partners**



Organizations Performing Work	Role	Туре	Location
☆Goddard Space	Lead	NASA	Greenbelt,
Flight Center(GSFC)	Organization	Center	Maryland
nLight Photonics	Supporting	Industry	Vancouver,
Corporation	Organization		Washington



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## Organizational Responsibility

#### Responsible Mission Directorate:

Space Technology Mission Directorate (STMD)

#### **Lead Center / Facility:**

Goddard Space Flight Center (GSFC)

#### **Responsible Program:**

Small Business Innovation Research/Small Business Tech Transfer



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Maryland	Washington

## **Project Management**

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# **Technology Areas**

### **Primary:**

- TX08 Sensors and Instruments
  - └─ TX08.1 Remote Sensing Instruments/Sensors
    └─ TX08.1.5 Lasers

